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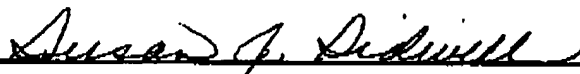
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Group Art Unit: 2837

**Re:** Application No. 10/767,818

See the attached in response to the Office Action of June 20, 2006.

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Title: IMPROVED NOISE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR  
REDUCING AIRBORNE AND STRUCTURE BORNE  
NOISE OF A VEHICLE EXHAUST SYSTEM  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.